The KING'S *Letter to the General of his Army: With the General's Letter to the Prince of* ORANGE.

White-Hall, *Decemb.* 11. 1688.

THings being come to that Extremity, That I have been forc'd to ſend away the Queen, and my Son the Prince of *Wales*, That they might not fall into my Enemies Hands (which they muſt have done, had they ſtay'd) I am oblig'd to do the ſame thing, and to endeavour to ſecure myſelf the beſt I can, in hopes that it will pleaſe God, out of his infinite Mercy to this unhappy Paſſion, to touch their Hearts again with true Loyalty and *Honour*. If *I* could have relied on all my Troops *I* might not have been put to this Extremity *I* am in; and would, at leaſt, have had one Blow for it: But though *I* know there are amongſt you very many loyal and brave Men, both Officers and Souldiers; yet you know, That both your ſelf, and ſeveral of the General Officers of the Army, told me, it was no ways adviſable for me to venture my ſelf at their Head, or to think to fight the Prince of *Orange* with them. And there remains only for me to thank you, and all thoſe, both Officers and Souldiers, who have ſtuck to me, and been truly loyal; and hope you will ſtill retain the ſame Fidelity to me: And tho *I* do not expect you ſhould expoſe your ſelves, by reſiſting a foreign Army, and a poiſoned Nation; yet *I* hope your former Principles are ſo rooted in you, That you will keep your ſelves free from Aſſociations, and ſuch pernicious Things. Time preſſes me ſo, that *I* can ſay no more.

J. R.

I *Muſt add this, That as I have always found you Loyal, ſo you have found me a kind Maſter, as ſo you ſhall ſtill find me.*

J. R.

SIR,

HAving received this Morning a Letter from his Majeſty, with the unfortunate News of his Reſolution, to go out of *England*, and that he is actually gon; I thought my ſelf obliged (being at the Head of his Army) having received Orders from his Majeſty, to make no Oppoſition againſt any body, to let your Highneſs know (with the Advice of all the Officers) as ſoon as it was poſſible, to hinder the Misfortune of Effuſion of Blood. I have ſent to that Purpoſe to all the Troops that are under my Command; which ſhall be the laſt Order they ſhall receive from,

Uxbridge, Decemb. 11. 1688. *At Noon.*

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I [illegible] of May, [illegible] and my Son the Prince of Wales, [illegible] Hands (which they must have done, had they fray'd) I am oblig'd to do the [illegible] felt the Debt I can, in hope that it will please God, out of his infinite Mercy to this unhappy Nation, to touch their Hearts again with true Loyalty and Honour. If I could have rely'd on all my Troops, I might not have been put to this Extremity I am in; and would, at least, have had one Blow for it: But [illegible] there are amongst you very many [illegible] both Officers and Soulders; yet your [illegible] tell me, it was no ways advisable for me to venture my Self at the Head, or to think to fight the Prince of Orange with them. And there remains only for me to thank you and all those, both Officers and Soulders, who have stuck to me, and been truly loyal; and hope you will still retain the same Fidelity to me: And tho I do not expect you should expose your selves, by refusing a foreign Army, and a poisoned Nation; yet I hope your former Principles are so rooted in you, That you will be (your selves free from Affociations, and such pernicious Things. Time perfects me to, that I can say no more.

J. R.

I May'd this, That as I have always found you Loyal, so you have found me a kind Master, as you shall find me.

J. R.

H [illegible] receiving this Morning a Letter from his Majesty, with the unfortunate News of his Retolution, to go out of [illegible] and that he is actually gon; I thought my Duty, to lay before the Head of his Army) having received Orders from his Majesty, to make no Opposition against any Force, to let your Resolves know (with the Advice of all the Officers) as soon as it was possible, to hinder the Misfortune of Civil Blood. I have sent to that People to all the Troops that are under my Command; which shall be the last Order they shall receive from me.

Whitehall, December 11.

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